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In the Examiner's Answer dated 12/28/2006, the Examiner had inadvertently failed to provide the required section, namely "Heading 11) Related Proceeding(s) Appendix". As such, in this regard the status of this section is as follow:

-- (11) Related Proceeding(s) Appendix

No decision by a court or the Board is identified by the Examiner in the Related Appeals and Interferences section of this Examiner's Answer. - -

The Examiner apologizes for the delayed prosecution of the application.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Frantzy Poinvil whose telephone number is (571) 272-6797. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Thursday from 7:00AM to 5:30PM.

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